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**ISDA announces the hire of Lenny Carpenter as
Director of Indiana Grain Buyers & Warehouse Licensing**

INDIANAPOLIS – The Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) announced today that Lenny Carpenter has been hired as the Director of Indiana Grain Buyers & Warehouse Licensing (IGBWL).

“Lenny’s vast experience in the grain industry makes him a great addition to our team,” said ISDA Director Ted McKinney. “We know he will provide exceptional leadership to the division of Indiana Grain Buyers & Warehouse Licensing.”

Carpenter is a graduate of The Ohio State University and has worked in the grain industry as a grain buyer and marketer for 28 years. Prior to joining ISDA, he worked as the Branch Manager for John Stewart & Associates, Inc., with AgMark Brokerage Services, CBH Commodities, Inc. and most recently as a Personal Marketing Manager for Cargill, Inc.

In his role, Carpenter will be responsible for the overall management of the Indiana Grain Buyers and Warehouse Licensing Agency. He will cooperate and coordinate activities through the Indiana State Department of Agriculture and will work jointly with members of the grain industry throughout Indiana. Carpenter will report directly to the Deputy Director of ISDA and will also serve as chairperson of the Indiana Grain Indemnity Corporation Board of Directors.

ABOUT ISDA

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture (ISDA) was established as a separate state agency by the Legislature in 2005. The Director of ISDA is appointed by the Governor and is a member of the Governor’s Cabinet. Administratively, ISDA reports to Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann, who also serves as Indiana’s Secretary of Agriculture. Major responsibilities include advocacy for Indiana agriculture at the local, state and federal level, managing soil conservation programs, promoting economic development and agricultural innovation, serving as a regulatory ombudsman for agricultural businesses, and licensing grain firms throughout the state.

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